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Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the title as follows:

-- PLANT-CULTIVATING DEVICE AND PLANT-CULTIVATING METHOD --

After the title please add the following:

-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a National Phase Patent Application of International Application Number PCT/JP2004/000319, filed on January 16, 2004, which claims priority of Japanese Patent Application Number 2003-010198, filed on January 17, 2003, and Japanese Patent Application Number 2003-336064, filed on September 26, 2003. --.

Please replace the 8th and 9th paragraphs of page 8 beginning with line 31 and ending with line 36 with the following:

-- Fig. 7, including Figs. 7a and 7b, is a schematic sectional view showing a further example of an embodiment of the plant-cultivating device according to the present invention.

Fig. 8, including Figs. 8a and 8b, is a schematic sectional view showing a further example of an embodiment of the plant-cultivating device according to the present invention. --.

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Please replace the 9th and 10th paragraphs of page 10 beginning with line 19 and ending with line 22 with the following:

-- Fig. 32, including Figs. 32a and 32b, is a photograph showing the state of a plant at the time of planting.

Fig. 33, including Figs. 33a and 33b, is a photograph showing the state of a plant at the end of cultivation. --.

Please replace the 12th paragraph of page 10 beginning with line 27 and ending with the 2nd paragraph of page 11, line 9 with the following:

-- Fig. 35, including Figs. 35a and 35b, is a photograph showing the state of a plant at the time of planting with heating and without heating in winter.

Fig. 36, including Figs. 36a and 36b, is a photograph showing the state of a plant at the end of cultivation with heating and without heating in winter. --.

Fig. 37, including Figs. 37a and 37b, is a photograph showing the state of a plant at the time of planting with cooling and without cooling in the summer.

Fig. 38, including Figs. 38a and 38b, is a photograph showing the state of a plant at the end of cultivation with cooling and without cooling in summer.

Fig. 39, including Figs. 39a and 39b, is a photograph showing the state of a plant at the end of cultivation in the presence and absence of cover by a mulching film for preventing the evaporation of water.

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Fig. 40, including Figs. 40a and 40b, is a photograph showing the state of a plant at the end of cultivation in the presence and absence of cover by a mulching film for preventing the evaporation of water. --.